

SSN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

Regular activities

Documentary screening on Farmers of Inida

June 2017

The third event of the National Service Scheme Unit of Sri SivaSubramaniya Nadar College Of Engineering, Kalavakkam for the academic year 2017-18 took place on Wednesday, the 21st of June 2017. It was done in collaboration with Saaral Tamil Mandram of SSNCE. The event was planned with an objective of filming a documentary on Farmer's suicide which is the most sensational topic of the hour, followed by a short discussion. The meeting began around 4.30 p.m. in the Central Seminar Hall with Tamil Thai Vaalthu. Jerom, the student Secretary of Saaral Mandram welcomed the gathering headed by Ms.P.Kaythry, the NSS Programme Officer, SSNCE. Around 35 enthusiastic volunteers took part in this event.

A documentary "Who were Nero's guests?" by Mr.P.Sainath on the farmer's issue was screened. Palagummi Sainath is an Indian journalist and photojournalist who focuses on social & economic inequality and he was the Editor for Rural Affairs in The Hindu. The documentary portrayed the realistic and real life problems faced by the farmers in the district of Vidarbha in Maharashtra. It provoked an awareness in the minds of the students and kindled their thoughts. The 55 minute film was based on true survey and incidents which depicted the crucial reasons behind the tragedy or even betrayal against farmers. This left everyone amazed and speechless. The inference from the documentary was discussed by the students and issues were put forward. There was a random expression of thoughts and solutions discussed among the students for about half an hour. Various questions were raised and debated upon. Then Ms.P.Kaythry addressed and briefed the issue and suggested a few possible solutions. With that the forth coming activities of SSN-NSS were discussed and planned. The event concluded at 6.30 p.m. with the crew raising for the National Anthem.

The students pledged "Not to be Nero's guest"!!